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MINUTES OF THE COMMITTEE
ON
TAX POLICY

Wednesday, April 20, 2016 10:30 a.m. Room 521, House Office Building

The House Committee on Tax Policy was called to order by the Chairman, Representative Jeff Farrington.

Members present: Representatives Farrington, Maturen, Somerville, Yonker, Howrylak, Chatfield, Glenn, Iden, Webber, Townsend, Clemente, LaVoy, and Byrd.

Members absent/excused: None.

Representative Maturen moved to adopt the minutes from the Wednesday, April 13, meeting.

There being no objection, the motion prevailed by unanimous consent.

The Chair laid before the committee HB 5545:

HB 5545 (Farrington) Property tax; special assessments; state essential services assessment act; modify filing requirements.

Chairman Farrington introduced the bill to the committee.

The following people submitted a testimony card in support of HB 5545, but did not wish to speak:

Tricia Kinley, representing the Michigan Chamber of Commerce.

Jason Puscas, representing the Detroit Regional Chamber of Commerce.

Howard Ryan, representing the Michigan Department of Treasury.

Mike Johnston, representing the Michigan Manufacturers Association.

Representative Maturen moved to report HB 5545, with recommendation.

The motion prevailed by a vote of 13-0-0.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

YEAS: Representatives Farrington, Maturen, Somerville, Yonker, Howrylak, Chatfield, Glenn, Iden, Webber, Townsend, Clemente, LaVoy, and Byrd.

NAYS: None.

PASS: None.

The Chair laid before the committee SB 606:

SB 606 (Shirkey)	Property tax; principal residence exemption; exemption from tax levied by local school district for school operating purposes; extend to include military service members temporarily residing elsewhere due to military deployment.
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Ben Kauffman, from Senator Mike Shirkey's office, introduced the bill to the committee.

The following people submitted a testimony card in support of SB 606, but did not wish to speak:

Mickey Knight, representing the Michigan Assessors Association.
Howard Ryan, representing the Michigan Department of Treasury.

The Chair laid before the committee HB 5557 and HB 5558:

HB 5557 (Farrington)	Corporate income tax; other; election to file a return under the Michigan business tax under certain circumstances; provide for.
HB 5558 (Kosowski)	Michigan business tax; credits; election to file under Michigan business tax rather than corporate income tax act under certain circumstances; provide for.

Chairman Farrington explained the substitute (H-1) to HB 5558.

Representative Maturen moved to adopt the substitute (H-1) to HB 5558.

The motion prevailed by a vote of 12-0-0.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

YEAS: Representatives Farrington, Maturen, Somerville, Yonker, Howrylak, Chatfield, Glenn, Iden, Webber, Townsend, Clemente, and Byrd.
NAYS: None.
PASS: None.

Chairman Farrington and Representative Kosowski introduced HB 5557 and HB 5558 to the committee.

The following people testified in support of HB 5557 and HB 5558:

Mike Tuomey, representing AK Steel.
Howard Ryan and Stewart Binke, representing the Michigan Department of Treasury.
Jeremy Hendges, representing the Michigan Department of Talent and Economic Development.

Robert Gordon, representing himself, testified to HB 5557 and HB 5558 and was neutral on the bills.

The following people submitted a testimony card in support of HB 5557 and HB 5558, but did not wish to speak:

Mike Johnston, representing the Michigan Manufacturers Association.

Tricia Kinley, representing the Michigan Chamber of Commerce.

James Clift, representing the Michigan Environmental Council, if amended.

Kara Cook, representing the Michigan League of Conservation Voters, submitted a testimony card in opposition to HB 5558 and HB 5557, but did not wish to speak.

There being no further business before the committee and seeing no objection, the Chair adjourned the meeting, the time being 12:00 p.m.

Representative Jeff Farrington, Chair

Kevin Gawronski
Committee Clerk
April 20, 2016
1 hour 30 minutes

Date Approved and Signed